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1. DURING CONVERSATION JUNE 21, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REXED INFORMED MISSION OFFICER THAT UN HEADQUARTERS PREFERRED MAINTAIN SOME NARCOTICS CONTROL PRESENCE IN LAOS AND THEREFORE UNFDAC IS WORKING WITH LPDR THROUGH UNDP RES REP ASPLUND TO EFFECTUATE SOMETHING ALONG LINES OF PREVIOUSLY ENVISAGED KM 62 PROJECT. REXED SAID THAT UNDP ITSELF WOULD PROBABLY BECOME INVOLVED IN DEVELOPMENT ASPECTS OF THAT PROJECT, WITH FUND TENDING TO FOCUS ON TREATMENT/REHABILITATION ASPECTS.

2. REXED SAID THAT THE OFFICE OF THE UN PROGRAM FOR
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DRUG ABUSE CONTROL IN LAOS HEADED BY MR. ARNAUD WOULD CLOSE BY END OF JULY 1978. UNFDAC PLANS FROM NOW ON TO WORK THROUGH UNDP IN ITS CONTACTS WITH LPDR. WHEN MISSION OFFICER NOTED DESIRABILITY OF ENSURING KM 62 PROJECT COULD STAND ON OWN MERITS, REXED SAID HE WOULD TRY FOR AS PRODUCTIVE A PROJECT AS POSSIBLE, BUT EVEN IF NOT PERFECT THE PROJECT WOULD BENEFIT INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS

CONTROL BY MAINTAINING A RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE FUND AND THE LPDR. HE QUOTED UNDP RES REP ASPLUND AS ATTRIBUTING TO POOR SECURITY SITUATION LAO FAILURE TO PROVIDE UNFDAC A CROP SUBSTITUTION SITE IN MOUNTAINS. REXED SAID FUND WOULD HOLD THAT SECTION OF AGREEMENT IN ABEYANCE FOR TIME BEING AND THAT FUND WOULD DO NOTHING WITH RESPECT TO BAN DONE SITE.

3. REXED EXPRESSED SATISFACTION AT DISMANTLING OF SEPARATE UNFDAC OFFICE IN VIENTIANE ON GROUNDS THAT IT HAD BECOME TOO LARGE AND EXPENSIVE FOR THE RESULTS IT ACHIEVED. HE IS PLEASED THAT UNDP IS AGREEABLE TO TAKING ON RESPONSIBILITY FOR BACKSTOPPING UNFDAC IN VIENTIANE AND PERCEIVES THIS AS ONE ELEMENT OF GROWING UNDP/ UNFDAC COOPERATION WHICH HE HOPES TO FORMALIZE SHORTLY IN AN AGREEMENT WITH UNDP ADMINISTRATOR BRAD MORSE. SORENSON

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